by UNO worth over Rs. 10 lakh to a private party; and

(c) if so, whether Government have got the matter enquired into by CBI if so, what is the outcome thereof stating the action taken by Government in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The then President of NCCF in his report dated 21-8-83 *inter-alia* made allegations against the then Regional Manager (East) also on the supply of imported butter oil referred to in the Question to the Manipur Wholesale Store. The report did not indicate the involvement of the earlier President of NCCF. The matter was enquired into by the NCCF which revealed that the then Regional Manager (East) was not responsible for any irregularity and no illegality was committed in this transaction. As such, no action has been taken against the officer so far as this case is concerned.

(e) The allegations brought out in the then President's report were referred to the CBI for investigation. This matter has not been enquired into by the CBI and no action is being taken by the NCCF in view of the position stated above.

Allegations against Manager of NCCF

1138. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1214 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 1988 and state :

(a) what action has been taken by Government against the Concerned Manager (P&A) for the malpractices and irregularities committed in the appointments in NCCF during the period from 1983 to 1985;

(b) whether any inquiry has been made to fix responsibility for not making available the records pertaining to the indiscriminate purchases and packing of pulses during 1978-79 without inviting any tenders and without approval of the Competent authority; and

(c) whether any fresh inquiry into the asses of the officers reported to be having desproportionate income to their known income has been made; if so, what is the outcome stating the action taken by the Government in the matter.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA) : (a) and (c) A fresh inquiry into the allegations was made and the Manager (P&A) has been shown *prima-facie* responsible for certain procedural lapses in making appointments. The assets of the officer have been enquired into. The enquiry report has been referred to the Central Vigilance Commission for advice.

(b) No enquiry has been made as records were not separately maintained for PDS and as a result it is not possible to fix any responsibility in the matter.

Import of scrap for mini steel plants

1139. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that scrap is imported to help mini-steel plants;

(b) what is the quantity being imported during 1988-89; and

(c) the basis for allotment of scrap to individual units?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to import about 25 lakh tonnes carbon steel melting scrap including Heavy Melting Scrap (HMS) and Hot Briquetted Iron (HBI) during 1988-89.

(c) Allotment of scrap to individual units is made on the basis of the seniority of the letter of credit, limited to two months' entitlement at a time. However, HMS and HBI are made available to the interested

units on a prorata basis subject to availability. At present the total allotment is about 66 per cent of entitlement.

Legislation to safeguard the interests of farm labourers

1140. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to initiate any fresh legislation to safe guard the interests of the farm labourers throughout the country; and

(b) if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY): (a) and (b) The proposal for enactment of a Central Legislation for agricultural workers was considered at the 37th Session of the Labour Ministers' Conference held in New Delhi on 7th November, 1988. The general view was that the problem was not one of lack of central legislation but more of implmentation of the existing laws such as, Minimum Wages Act, Equal Remuneration Act and other laws, which cover agricultural labour within their ambit.

क्षेत्रीय फिल्मों के उप-शीर्षक

1141. **श्री मीर्जा इर्शाद बेग : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दूरदर्शन द्वारा टेलीकास्ट किए जाने वाली क्षेत्रीय फिल्मों के उप-शीर्षक केवल अंग्रेजी में दिए जाने के क्या कारण हैं, क्या यह त्रिभाषा सूत्र तथा राजकीय भाषा अधिनियम का उल्लंघन है, और

(ख) ऐसी फिल्मों के उप-शीर्षक कब तक दोनों भाषाओं में दिए जाने की संभावना है ?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री एच. के. एल. भगत) : (क) और (ख) दिल्ली दूरदर्शन पर दिखाई जाने वाली प्रादेशिक भाषाओं की सभी फीचर फिल्में टेलीकास्ट करने के लिए निर्माताओं/टी.वी. अधिकारधारकों द्वारा दूरदर्शन को प्रदान की जाती हैं । उप-शीर्षकों के साथ फिल्मों के प्रिंट भी उन्हीं के द्वारा सप्लाई किए जाते हैं । निर्माता केवल दूरदर्शन पर टेलीकास्ट करने के लिए ही नहीं बल्कि अन्तरराष्ट्रीय प्रसार की आवश्यकताओं को पूरा करने की दृष्टि से अंग्रेजी में उप-शीर्षक करवाते हैं । त्रिभाषा सूत्र या राजभाषा अधिनियम इस मामले में प्रासंगिक नहीं हैं ।

फिल्मों के उप-शीर्षक हिन्दी में करवाने की सुविधाएं सभी फिल्म निर्माण केन्द्रों में उपलब्ध नहीं हैं । यदि निर्माताओं/टी.वी. अधिकारधारकों द्वारा हिन्दी उप-शीर्षकों के साथ प्रादेशिक भाषा की फिल्में प्रदान की जाती है तो दूरदर्शन हिन्दी उप-शीर्षकों के साथ इन्हें टेलीकास्ट करने पर विचार करेगा ।

Setting up of food processing industries in Andhra Pradesh

1142. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up some food processing industries in the central sector in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Telecast of 'Sarb Sanjhi Gurbani'

1143. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the programme entitled 'Sarb Sanjhi Gurbani' as is being telecast by Doordarshan in the morning sessions on Sundays, is likely to continue even after the contract with its existing sponsorers expires;

(b) if so, the date on which the contract with its existing sponsorers will expire and